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~~A Method For Collecting And Providing Network
and User Information~~

Abstract Of The Disclosure

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A host computer (101) may collect network information from a plurality of computers (110 - 113) and computer networks either at the expiration of time or upon request. Upon receiving the network information, the host computer may store it as either configuration information or statistical information. From this data, the host computer (101) may generate marketing reports. In exchange for the network information, the host computer (101) provides the computers (110 - 113) and computer networks with user information, wherein the user information may be bug reports, bug fixes, software updates, free software, and pricing information.

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